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**4K2, FRANZ JOSEF LAND.** The DXNS would like to remind everyone that Sergey, R1FJZ will go **QRT in August**, and at this time he will pick up his QSLs from his mail drop of DF7RX.

**9U BURUNDI.** Jean-Pierre, F5FHI, has changed his call to **9U5DX**. He has been heard on 17 meters CW/SSB recently between 0800 and 0930z. QSL via F2VX preferably via REF bureau. All cards are automatically sent via bureau when they receive diskettes from F5FHI. They are currently awaiting one disk with the last 9000 QSOs made as 9U/F5FHI. Also, Alfredo, 9U/EA1FH, is now signing **9U5CW**, but we do not know if he has changed his QSL info. Recently, Jean-Pierre telephoned his manager to tell him both licenses were being mailed to France for relay to ARRL for DXCC acceptance. Peter, ON6TT, is planning a short visit **before the end of April** and has spoken to Alfredo about being active on 80 and 160 meters. Alfredo does not have antennas for those bands, but Peter will take his 160/80m vertical and PK900 with him, and there is a possibility of 160/80m and RTTY activity during the **last weekend in April**.

**HOT! RUMOR OF THE WEEK....** A well known group of JA DXers (who was active as XY1HT) is scheduled for a visit to **North Korea**. They are trying to get a license similar to what they did at XY1HT. Keep your ears open and fingers crossed, and pray for sunspots! Meanwhile, a Hungarian couple will be on tour to North Korea. Sanyi, HA7VK (ex-XU7VK and XU95HA) and his wife Judit, HA7RJ, will arrive in Phenjan (Phjongjang) on the **21st of May**. Sanyi is currently looking for help to obtain a license in P5-land. He and his wife will be there until the end of July. **KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED!!!**

**J6, GRENADA.** Eric, F5CCO, plans to be on the air between **June 27th and July 4th** (While on his honeymoon, BOY is he BRAVE!). QSL via homecall.

**JUST A REMINDER!** Begin looking for the **TI9X DXpedition** to start later this week (may be **April 26th**). Refer to OPDX.250.

**JW, SVALBARD.** Rag, OZ8RO, states he was bitten by the "polar bug" and will once again be active from here as **JW5HE, May 1-5th**. He will focus on the new bands (i.e. 10 MHz will most likely be most productive).

**LIGHTHOUSE (FAL-03) DXPEDITION.** On **May 24, 25 and 26th**, there will be a station signing the special callsign **CT8FMX** from the **lighthouse of Ponta da Piedade/Lagos/Algarve**. This operation is valid for "Portugueses Lighthouse Award" (REF number FAL-03). There will be activity on 80-10 meters. QSL via CT1FMX, Jorge, P.O. BOX 189, 2562 Torres Vedras, Portugal

**HELVETIA CONTEST.** This will take place next weekend, **April 27-28th** (Saturday 1300z to Sunday 1300z). Activity will be on CW/SSB 160-10 meters. This is a good chance to build up your Canton total for the Swiss Helvetia Award which requires confirmation from all 26 Cantons.

**NEW BEACON.** The **4X6TU** beacon is now operational from Tel Aviv on **14100, 18110, 21150, 24930 and 28200 kHz** with transmissions lasting 10 seconds every three minutes on each frequency in turn. Stepped power (max 100w) to vertical. 4X6TU joins ZS6DN, LU4AA, YV5B, on these frequencies and with the same transmission pattern.

**OH0, ALAND ISLAND.** Dave, currently signing **OH2/K8MN**, will be heading for OH0 this coming **Friday, April 26th**, and will be on the air from evening (probably 2200z) **through mid-Sunday** (will QRT around 1300z). He will be taking an amp and plans to be as active as he can be on all bands/modes. He is also planning to take RTTY gear and will make every effort to hand out QSOs on that mode. Look for him on CW at least 25 kHz up from the bottom (so as to give U.S. Advanced/General gang a shot) when he is looking toward North America. On SSB, wherever he can find a spot where that he doesn't interfere with a net. QSL via WA8JOC. Bureau cards can go to his U.S. call ONLY for this trip. Any QSLs which come to Finland will be answered very, very late since Dave will forward them to WA8JOC.

**P4, ARUBA.** Tom, K8CX, will be active as **P43WLP** (but was hoping to receive the callsign P40CX) **until April 27th**. He told OPDX that he would be active on 9 HF bands. QSL via K8CX.

**TO3, REUNION ISLAND.** The DXNL reports that Bernd, DL1VJ, and Heinz, F5NRG, will work as **TO3R** during the **CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th)**. Before and after the contest they will be on the air as **FR/homecall**. QSLs via F6KLS (French bureau) which is the clubcall of the SL-DX-Club.

"**QSLs for EY8/NP2AQ, EZ0AA, EK9RM, 4L0MR and DL4FDU** must be sent to the following APO address," states Ron, DL4FDU/NP2AQ. Cards sent to the callbook address of NP2AQ will be returned since he has been away from that QTH for 5 years. QSLs must be sent to Ron at the following address: Ron Maples, PSC-115 (ESC), APO AE 09213-0115

**QSL UPDATE.** According to Bob, KK6EK, all the direct QSLs for **XR0Y** and **XR0Z** have been sent out, a total of almost 20,000 cards. A separate card was generated for each QSO. Each card was preprinted with the general information about the project, then over-printed with the QSO information and the barcode. **ADDED NOTE:** All OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin containing Bob's press release.

**UPCOMING IOTA CONTEST ACTIVITY.** Eric, F5CCO, states he and others will be active for the **IOTA contest the last weekend of July**, from **EU-095 (ME-004), Planier Island** located in the Provence-Cote D'Azur Region Group. For the contest all operators will be signing with the home call: **F6JSZ/P** on CW, **F5CCO/P** on SSB and **F1IXQ/P** on satellite. They plan to be active on all bands including the satellites. QSL via the bureau or to the following home call addresses: F6JSZ - Mark A. Kentell P.O BOX 76, 19002 Tulle Cedex, France // F1IXQ - Michel Gueugnot, 208 Rue de L'oradou, 63000 Clermont Ferrand, France // F5CCO - Eric Fayolle, P.O BOX 29, 43300 Langeac, France.

**VK9C, COCOS-KEELING.** Operators VK4FW (ex-VK4CRR), VK2IVK (YL), VK4DHM, and possibly more will be active **May 18-31st**. The callsign will be announced at a later day. Operations will be on all HF bands with activity primarily on SSB, with the possibility of some CW activity. QSL via VK4FW, Bill Horner, 26 Iron St, Gympie, QLD 4570, AUSTRALIA

**VK0, MARQUARIE ISLAND.** Warren, **VK0WH**, usually can be found only on **Monday, Tuesday or Thursday**, operating 40 meters CW. Check around 7009 kHz between 1000 and 1100z for Warren and he usually listens up 3 kHz. Also, he does sometimes shows up on 14260 kHz (or 14038) with his QSL Manager. He is reported to be there until December of 1996. QSL via VK9NS.

**VP2E, ANGUILLA.** JH4IFF and JH4EZI will be active as **VP2EFF** and **VP2EZI**, respectively, **April 29th through May 3rd**. Operations will be on 160-10 meters on CW/SSB/RTTY. There is also a slight chance that JH4IFF will be active also as **FS/N2HNQ** afterwards.

**YI, IRAQ.** ZYGI, SP5ELA, from the Warsaw University of Technology RC (SP5PBE) reports that Tom, **YI9CW**, (Bagdad,Iraq) continues to be active daily **until May 20, 1996**. His preferred frequencies: 7007/14007/21007/28007 and WARC 30/17/12. 160/80 meters operation is not allowed at this time in Iraq. After 5 years of being in Iraq, Tom will depart at the end of May to Amman and later to Warsaw, Poland. All QSL requests go to: Tom Rogowski, SP5AUC, P.O.BOX 11, 02-800 WARSAW 93, POLAND. Do not lose the chance to work this rare one on CW!

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**A Special Additional Bulletin for OPDX Subscribers!**

Date: Wed Apr 17 12:29:08 1996  
From: cordell@ccnet.com (Robert Schmieder)  
Subject: XR0Y/Z QSLs and other matters  
To: DX@ve7tcp.ampr.org  
Reply-To: cordell@ccnet.com (Robert Schmieder)

Friends-

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I would like to thank John Hilbish W3UM for many dedicated hours of working with the logs to eliminate errors (the final logs are remarkably error-free); Dave Farnsworth WJ2O for printing the cards; QSL manager Mary Ann Crider WA3HUP for the enormous task of resolving problems and sending the cards out; and all of you for your generosity in helping to support the project. If you haven't sent in your cards, or there is any kind of problem, please contact WA3HUP or myself.

The XR0Y/Z video is just finished. It is available from me (\$25), as well as XR0Y/Z mugs and tee-shirts (\$15 ea). These items are a small fundraiser for the Dxpedition. I will have them at Visalia (April 20), Dayton (May 17-18), and HamCom (Texas, June 7-8). Hope to see you there.

The XR0Y/Z book is still in preparation, delayed some by having to devote time to organizing the Heard Island DXpedition. Tell you what: if you send an order now (\$20), I'll pay the postage. But please be patient; I'll still writing!

73, Bob KK6EK

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